

Algebra 2H  
Quadratics Day 26 – Trajectory Problems

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- 1) You throw a basketball from a height of 5 feet. It reaches its highest point 20 feet away from you, 30 feet in the air. The basketball hoop is 10 feet high.
- How far away from the hoop should you stand in order to make the shot?
  - How far away from you does the ball land on the ground?
- 2) A kangaroo hops across the outback. Its typical jump lands 8 feet away from where he started and is 3 feet in the air. How high is it in the air when it is 6 feet away from where it started the jump?
- 3) The length of a rectangle is three more than twice the width. Determine the dimensions that will give a total area of  $27\text{m}^2$ . What is the minimum area that this rectangle can have?
- 4) Two rectangular corrals are to be made from 100yds of fencing as seen below. What should the length and width be of the rectangles in order to maximize the area?

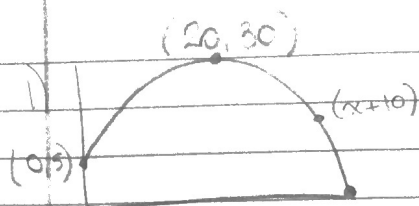


- 5) The number of board feet in a 16ft long tree is approximated by the model  $F(d) = 0.77d^2 - 1.32d - 9.31$  where  $F$  is the number of feet and  $d$  is the diameter of the log. How many board feet are in a log with diameter 12 inches? What is the diameter that will produce the minimum number of board feet?
- 6) For the years 1983 to 1990, the number of mountain bike owners  $m$  (in millions) in the US can be approximated by the model  $m = 0.337t^2 - 2.265t + 3.962$ ,  $3 < t < 10$ , where  $t = 3$  represents 1983. In which year did 2.5 million people own mountain bikes? In what year was the number of mountain bike owners at a minimum?
- 7) A ball rolls down a slope and travels a distance  $d = 6t + \frac{t^2}{2}$  feet in  $t$  seconds. Find when the distance is 17 feet.

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- 8) The height in feet of a bottle rocket is given by  $h(t) = 160t - 16t^2$  where  $t$  is the time in seconds. How long will it take for the rocket to return to the ground? What is the height after 2 seconds?
- 9) A foul ball leaves the end of a baseball bat and travels according to the formula  $h(t) = 64t - 16t^2$  where  $h$  is the height of the ball in feet and  $t$  is the time in seconds. How long will it take for the ball to reach a height of 64 feet in the air?
- 10) The formula  $h = -16t^2 + 48t + 160$  gives the height of an object thrown from a building 160ft high with an initial speed of 48ft/sec where  $t$  is measured in seconds. Find the time for the object to hit the ground and find the maximum height of the object.
- 11) The length of a rectangular plot of land is 10 yards more than its width. If the area of the land is 600 square yards, find the dimensions of the plot of land.
- 12) The height of a triangular window is 3 feet less than its base. If the area of the window is 20 square feet, find the dimensions of the window.
- 13) Three hundred feet of fencing is available to enclose a rectangular yard alongside of the Potomac River. What dimensions will produce an area of 10,000ft<sup>2</sup>?



$$a) y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$5 = a(0-20)^2 + 30$$

$$5 = 400a + 30$$

$$-\frac{1}{6} = a$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{6}(x-20)^2 + 30$$

$$10 = -\frac{1}{6}(x-20)^2 + 30$$

$$-20 = -\frac{1}{6}(x-20)^2$$

$$320 = (x-20)^2$$

$$17.89 = x-20$$

$$37.89 \text{ ft} = x$$

$$b) y = -\frac{1}{6}(x-20)^2 + 30$$

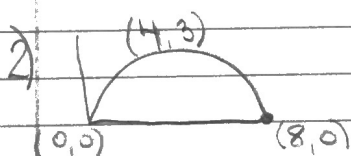
$$0 = -\frac{1}{6}(x-20)^2 + 30$$

$$-30 = -\frac{1}{6}(x-20)^2$$

$$480 = (x-20)^2$$

$$21.91 \text{ ft} = x-20$$

$$41.91 \text{ ft} = x$$



$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$0 = a(0-4)^2 + 3$$

$$0 = 16a + 3$$

$$-3 = 16a$$

$$-\frac{3}{16} = a$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{16}(x-4)^2 + 3$$

$$y = -\frac{3}{16}(6-4)^2 + 3$$

$$y = 2.25 \text{ ft}$$

$$3) L = 2w + 3$$

$$(w)(2w+3) = 27$$

$$2w^2 + 3w - 27 = 0$$

$$2w^2 - 6w + 9w - 27 = 0$$

$$2w(w-3) + 3(w-3) = 0$$

$$(2w+3)(w-3) = 0$$

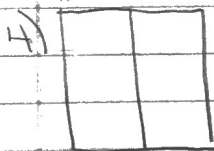
$$w = -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } \boxed{3m}$$

minimum area is the vertex, but the "w" value is negative. Therefore, the minimum area would be 0.

$$2w^2 + 3w - 27 = 0$$

$$w = \frac{-b}{2a}$$

$$w = \frac{-3}{4}$$



$$3x + 2y = 100$$

$$5) f(12) = 0.77(12)^2 - 1.32(12) - 9.31$$

$$\boxed{f(12) = 85.73 \text{ ft}}$$

$$\text{Vertex: } d = \frac{1.32}{2(0.77)}$$

$$\boxed{d = 0.857 \text{ ft}}$$

$$6) 2.5 = 0.337t^2 - 2.265t + 3.962$$

$$3 < t < 10$$

$$0 = 0.337t^2 - 2.265t + 1.462$$

$$t = \frac{2.265 \pm \sqrt{2.265^2 - 4(0.337)(1.462)}}{2(0.337)}$$

$$\boxed{t = 5.916 \text{ yr or } 0.6588}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{1988}$$

$$\text{minimum } t = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$t = 3.36 \text{ yrs.} \rightarrow \boxed{1986}$$

$$7) d = 6t + \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$17 = 6t + \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$34 = 12t + t^2$$

$$t^2 + 12t = 34$$

$$(t+6)^2 = 34 + 36$$

$$(t+6)^2 = 70$$

$$t+6 \approx 8.37$$

$$t = 2.37 \text{ sec}$$

$$8) h(t) = 160t - 16t^2$$

$$h(2) = 160(2) - 16(2)^2$$

$$h(2) = 256 \text{ ft}$$

$$9) h(t) = 160t - 16t^2$$

$$64 = -16t^2 + 160t$$

$$-4 = t^2 - 10t$$

$$-4.25 = (t-5)^2$$

$$21 = (t-5)^2$$

$$4.58 \approx t-5 \quad \text{or} \quad -4.58 \approx t-5$$

$$t = 9.58 \text{ sec or } 0.42 \text{ sec}$$

$$10) -16t^2 + 48t + 160 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 3t - 10 = 0$$

$$t^2 - 3t = 10$$

$$(t - \frac{3}{2})^2 = 10 + \frac{9}{4}$$

$$(t - \frac{3}{2})^2 = \frac{49}{4}$$

$$t - \frac{3}{2} = \frac{7}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{7}{2}$$

$$t = 5 \text{ s. or } -2$$